



Minutes of the
City Commission for the City of Traverse City
Study Session
January 11, 2016

A study session of the City Commission of the City of Traverse City was called to order at the Commission Chambers, Governmental Center, 400 Boardman Avenue, Traverse City, Michigan, at 7 p.m.

Mayor Jim Carruthers, Mayor Pro Tem Ross Richardson, Brian Haas, Gary Howe (departed at 9:38 p.m. during the closed session), Amy Shamroe, and Tim Werner.

The following Commissioner was absent: Richard I Lewis.

Mayor Jim Carruthers presided at the meeting.

1.

Presentation of the Fiscal Year 2014/2015 audit.

The following addressed the Commission:

Marty Colburn, City Manager
Bill Twietmeyer, City Treasurer/Finance Director
Alan Panter, Abraham and Gaffney

2.

Discussion regarding a request for a payment-in-lieu-of-taxes arrangement (PILOT) by The Woda Group in connection with a housing development at the southwest corner of Pine Street and West Front Street for housing for citizens of low-income.

The following addressed the Commission:

Marty Colburn, City Manager
Craig Patterson, The WODA Group
Polly Cairns, City Assessor

3.

Discussion regarding a request for an expanded payment-in-lieu-of-taxes arrangement (PILOT) for Bay Hill Apartments off Veterans Drive, as requested by Hollander Development Corporation.

The following addressed the Commission:

Marty Colburn, City Manager
Joe Hollander, Hollander Development Corporation

4.

Discussion regarding establishing a Director of Human Resources position.

The following addressed the Commission:

Marty Colburn, City Manager

5.

Consideration of entering into closed session to discuss an attorney-client communication regarding the Clinch Park Waterscape.

Moved by Richardson, seconded by Shamroe, to enter into closed session to discuss an attorney-client privileged communication in connection with the Clinch Park Waterscape as authorized by MCL 15.268(h), immediately following the public comment portion of the agenda.

Roll Call:

Yes - Haas, Howe, Shamroe, Werner, Richardson,
Carruthers.

No - None.

CARRIED unanimously. (Lewis absent)

6.

Announcements from the City Clerk.

The following addressed the Commission:

Benjamin Marentette, City Clerk

7.

Public Comment:

The following addressed the Commission:

Commissioner Amy Shamroe

Margaret Hughson, no address given

Tony Lentych, Traverse City Housing Commission, 718 Highland Park
Drive

Patty Olson, 1815 Wayne Street

Gale Parsons, Traverse Area District Library Executive Director, 4564
Kodiak Drive, Long Lake Township

Ann Rogers, 1236 Peninsula Drive

The City Commission entered into closed session at 9:12 p.m.

(Commissioner Howe departed at 9:38 p.m.)

The City Commission returned to open session at 10:02 p.m.

There being no objection, Mayor Carruthers declared the meeting adjourned at 10:03 p.m.

Benjamin C Marentette, MMC
City Clerk

Approved: _____, _____
(Date) (Initials)